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FREDERICK P. MOOSALLY, NEW DIRECTOR OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION (ABRA)

Washington, DC—On July 14, 2009, the Council of the District of Columbia confirmed Frederick "Fred" P. Moosally as the new Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA). Peter Feather, Chairman of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC Board), praised Mr. Moosally's appointment. Chairman Feather said of Mr. Moosally, "the ABC Board found the best leader for the Agency; one who will balance the customer sensitivity needed for meaningful cooperation in the community, with a solid legal background. He will be an effective leader of the people who make alcohol regulation effective for the residents and the business owners in the District of Columbia."

Mr. Moosally, who served as ABRA Interim Director for the past six months, stated: "I am excited about the opportunity to serve in the role of ABRA Director. The Agency had a significant number of accomplishments during my tenure as Interim Director, including the recently issued ABC Licensee Information Handbook. I appreciate the positive feedback ABRA received from the public regarding these changes and I look to build upon that success."

Mr. Moosally's vision for the Agency during his first year is contained in a commitment plan, entitled "21 is the Number," which reflects both the legal drinking age and the number of projects contained in the Plan. Mr. Moosally noted: "We have already implemented several items of the Plan since my Council confirmation. This includes now allowing restaurants and hotels to file their quarterly statements on-line from the ABRA website and issuing the 'Extended Hour Calendar', which clarifies for licensees, without hours restrictions in their voluntary agreements, the days preceding a federal or district holiday that they can sell and serve alcohol until 3 a.m."

Prior to his appointment as Interim Director, Mr. Moosally was the General Counsel for ABRA from October 2001 to January 2009. This experience will provide him as the new Director with a tremendous knowledge of the inner operations of the Agency as well as a commitment to the enforcement of the laws and regulations that govern the sale of alcoholic beverages in the District. Fred Moosally received his undergraduate degree from James Madison University and his law degree from the Columbus School of Law, Catholic University. He currently resides with his wife, Kelly, in Ward 3.